

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 remain in the application for consideration of the Examiner.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objections are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1, 8, 12-14, and 17-20 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type as being obvious type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1, 4, 12-14 of co-pending application 10/337,053.

Attached hereto is a Terminal Disclaimer.

It is respectfully submitted that this Terminal Disclaimer obviates the rejection of these claims.

Claims 2, 7, and 9 were rejected to because of informalities.

By the instant amendment, Claims 2, 7, and 9 have been amended to take into consideration the helpful comments of the Examiner set forth in the Office Action.

It is respectfully submitted that Claims 1-21 are free from informalities.

Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 1-21 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the double patenting rejection or submit a Terminal Disclaimer.

By the instant response, a Terminal Disclaimer has been submitted and it is respectfully submitted that the double patenting rejection has been overcome.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,



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